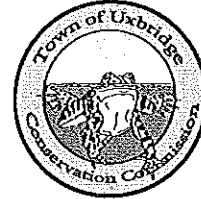


**Town of Uxbridge
Conservation Commission
21 South Main Street
Uxbridge, Massachusetts, 01569
508-278-8600 x 2020**



**Conservation Commission Minutes
Monday, August 19, 2013
Board of Selectmen's Room, Uxbridge Town Hall, 7:00 – 9:19 PM**

Conservation Commissioners Present: Russell Holden, Chair (RH), Mike Potaski (MP), Larry Lench (LL), Dave Lewcon (DL), Jim Hogan (JH)

Conservation Commissioners Absent: none

Commission Staff Present: Jennifer Steel, Conservation Agent

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1. Jim Hogan, a new member, was sworn in today and welcomed to the commission.

ACTIVE WETLAND CASES

2. NOI 312-956 , 201 & 209 River Rd (Map 45, Parcels 4024 & 4053)

- **Applicant:** Cheryl Powers/Dedix LLC **Engineer:** Heritage Design Group
- **Proposal:** Construct storage building, gravel driveways, septic system.
- Gary Powers noted that Heritage and Andrews were not in attendance. He then requested to continue the hearing to Sept 3, 2013.
- **Motion to continue to Sept. 3 (MP); Second (LL); Vote (5:0:0).**

3. NOI 312-957 , 104 Hartford Ave East (Map 12A, Parcel 1474)

- **Applicant:** Mumford River Condominium Trust **Engineer:** Andrews Survey & Engineering
- **Proposal:** Fill in a portion of the existing man-made canal, and install pipe around building to allow for structural alterations to the existing building.
- **MP recuses himself.**
- **Paul Hutnak's presentation and discussion:**
 - Paul Hutnak gave a summary of the situation, problem, and proposal. The only inflow is from leaks in flashboards. The building is in danger. They are proposing a 24" pipe connection around the building to the property line, with a temporary connection. The 24" pipe can carry 1 cfs (that would be enough to turn over the downstream portion of the sluiceway 3x/day. The pipe can accommodate the 100-year storm. The 24" pipe now won't cross the sewer line at all (because of a new route and by using a 30" nyla-pipe in the place of a concrete manhole). Pipe invert elevation is now set at 249.0 (standing water level is at 250.2).
 - DEP won't allow for riprap emergency spillway in RFA. DPW doesn't want spillway. So it will be restored to original conditions (riprap will be removed and loam and seed will be installed).
 - New footings were placed under building, but the whole building still need to be stabilized with fill in the sluiceway.
 - Applicant's intention is to do the work this fall.
 - Discussion ensued regarding whether an RDA or NOI would be required from Strathmore shire for the placement of sandbags on their property, or whether DEP's mandate to provide an e-cert would be sufficient.
- **Harry Romasco (Uxbridge Housing Associates) posed questions and received answers:**
 - Who controls flashboards? That is unknown, but UHA could inquire.
 - Will there need to be dredging on Strathmore shire and UHA land to make the system work? Not to make the system work as it does now, but yes, to allow it to flow better than it does now.
 - Can UHA partner with the town on their NOI to address all aspects of the project downstream of the road crossing? Yes.
- **Possible conditions to put in an Order:**
 - Clean catch-basin near proposed dewatering area before and after work is done.

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- Condition timeframes allowing cofferdams to remain in place.
- **Motion to continue** to Sept. 3 (DL); Second (LL); Vote (4:0:0).
- MP reinstates himself.

4. NOI 312-____, 79 River Rd (Map 45, Parcel 1345)

- **Applicant:** Bedrock Crossing LLC **Engineer:** Andrews Survey & Engineering
- **Proposal:** Fill ILSF, grade, and create gravel lot.
- **Paul Hutnak's presentation:**
 - Application has been filed with DEP – no number yet
 - Enforcement Order and development desires lead to NOI
 - Andrews is currently looking into questions of connectivity and wetland replication
 - DEP is pursuing enforcement
- **Motion to continue** to Sept. 3 (MP); Second (LL); Vote (5:0:0).

5. Motion to take 170 Hecla St. item out of order (MP); Second (JH); Vote (5:0:0).

- RH noted that there hasn't been any activity, and that he will follow-up with Gary Vecchione to determine status of progress on Enforcement Order requirements. JS noted that DEP allows applicants three years to complete work under OOCs, so the fact that there has been no planting yet is not cause for enforcement.

6. Motion to take Freedom's Way item out of order (MP); Second (DL); Vote (5:0:0).

- **Motion to issue Partial Certificate of Compliance for Lot 3/#25 Freedoms Way** (with the understanding that an RDA will be submitted on 8/21 showing Limit of Disturbance outside the buffer zone, and that the Commission will then grant a negative determination) (MP); Second (DL); Vote (5:0:0).
- Commission discussed releasing all non-wetland/buffer zone parcels at their next meeting.

WETLAND UPDATES/ISSUES

7. 660 Millville Rd. – John Foley requested to remove 2 fallen trees. RH visited the site and determined that Mr. Foley can, through Admin Approval, remove the fallen white pine and the red maple if: (1) approached from 660 Millville side, (2) when frozen, (3) he cuts 3-5 feet above base to leave root ball intact.

8. 217 River Rd. – JS has asked for an update on their ex post facto filing. JS will send a letter that indicates that the commission will have to pursue enforcement against current owner if an NOI is not received in a timely fashion.

9. Williams St. recent alterations – RH has not yet contacted landowner. RH will contact owner.

CONSERVATION LAND

10. Pout Pond

- **Motion to spend \$35 for sign** noting date of end of parking fees (MP); Second (LL); Vote (5:0:0).
- **Motion to allow work campers to overwinter** if approved by Town Manager (and Water Dept.) Beach house would be closed down, but the work campers would be hooked up to water and electricity and septic tank for pump out. Work campers would pay all electric bills. **Motion** (MP); Second (LL); Vote (5:0:0).
- **Recreation Committee** ~~currently only schedules fields~~ realizes Pout Pond activity as unique and presently the Rec Com is only able to schedule baseball fields and recreational fields. PPAC will discuss potential coordination with Rec Com later
- PPAC would like to come in to a Commission meeting.

PROCESSING

11. Documents to be Considered for Signature

- **Motion to approve Minutes of August 5, 2013** (LL); Second (MP); Vote (4:0:1).

12. Motion to approve the following bills (MP); Second (LL); Vote (5:0:0).

- Two Microbac at \$25 ea., Worcester T&G \$65.52, Sports Minded for 30 visors for PP "volunteers" \$131.25

13. Website updates complete

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

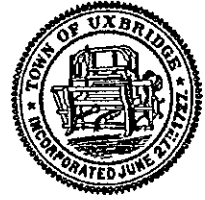
ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH MAY LAWFULLY COME BEFORE THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

14. Ethics Commission test should be taken; results should be given to Kelly Bickford.

Motion to ADJOURN 9:19 (MP); Second (LL); Vote (5:0:0).



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Date

Russell Holden, Chairman

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David Lewcon, Treasurer

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Jim Hagan

Submitted by: Donna C. Hardy